

General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. **6363**



Offered by:

REP. DAUPHINAIS, 44th Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 2

File No. 276

Cal. No. 469

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT EXPANDING PRESCHOOL AND MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (c) of section 19a-14c of the 2022 supplement to
- 4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 5 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):
- 6 (c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this
- subsection, a minor may request and receive [as many] one outpatient
- 8 mental health treatment [sessions as necessary] session without the
- 9 consent or notification of a parent or guardian. [No] <u>Except as provided</u>
- 10 <u>in subdivision (3) of this subsection, no</u> provider shall notify a parent or
- 11 guardian of treatment provided pursuant to this section or disclose any
- 12 information concerning such treatment to a parent or guardian without
- 13 the consent of the minor.

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(2) A provider may provide as many outpatient mental health treatment sessions to a minor as such provider deems necessary, without the consent or notification of such minor's parent or guardian, if such provider determines that obtaining such consent or providing such notice would place such minor at risk of family violence, as defined in section 46b-38a.

[(2)] (3) A provider [may] shall notify a parent or guardian of treatment provided pursuant to this section or disclose certain information concerning such treatment without the consent of the minor who receives such treatment, provided (A) such provider determines that such notification or disclosure would not place such minor at risk of family violence and such notification or disclosure is necessary for the minor's well-being, (B) the treatment provided to the minor is solely for mental health and not for a substance use disorder, and (C) the minor is provided an opportunity to express any objection to such notification or disclosure. The provider shall document his or her determination concerning such notification or disclosure and any objections expressed by the minor in the minor's clinical record. A provider may disclose to a minor's parent or guardian the following information concerning such minor's outpatient mental health treatment: (i) Diagnosis; (ii) treatment plan and progress in treatment; (iii) recommended medications, including risks, benefits, side effects, typical efficacy, dose and schedule; (iv) psychoeducation about the minor's mental health; (v) referrals to community resources; (vi) coaching on parenting or behavioral management strategies; and (vii) crisis prevention planning and safety planning. A provider shall release a minor's entire clinical record to another provider upon the request of the minor or such minor's parent or guardian."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2022	19a-14c(c)

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